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**Member Spotlight
Michael Tessler
AIA Las Vegas Allied Member**

I Am A Member Of The American Institute Of Architects (AIA) Because... I am committed to learning more about architecture and design and to supporting our community of architects.

I am an architectural photographer based here in Las Vegas. I'm always looking for artistic ways to capture a space and express what it feels like to be there. I know that most people will only ever experience a building through photographs, so I know how important my work can be to architects, and I take that responsibility very seriously. The work of architects inspires my artistic work of photography, and I enjoy every opportunity to collaborate with architects to showcase their creations.

What is the most important thing you've learned? Persistence is everything. No matter how many times you are told "no", you must not give up. You must keep going. All it takes is one person to say "yes", and you're off to the races. If you have something valuable to contribute, eventually enough people will recognize your value and you'll be set. I've applied that persistence to my business, and so far so good!



MICHAEL TESSLER

What is your favorite piece of architecture? Why? It's so hard to choose! There are so many incredible pieces of architecture out there. But I think I'd have to settle on Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater. I grew up in Pittsburgh, about 90 minutes away from Fallingwater. That house reminds me of home. It sits in the woods of Western Pennsylvania and is part of the environment I'm so familiar with. I remember visiting the house as a kid, taking the tour, and being amazed by its various design elements. Maybe my visit there planted a seed of interest in architecture, and that's another reason I love it.

What person, living or dead, would you most like to talk with? One of the three grandparents I never knew. Is that cheating? I don't care--how can I pick just one? Family is so important, and grandparents are a link to the past. They help us understand where we came from and where we'd like to go. I'd love to have the chance to talk with one of my grandparents to understand them and the world they lived in.

Where will you be in 20 years? Retired! Well, hopefully not. I started my architectural photography career later than most, and I hope to continue working as long as I'm able to. I love photographing architecture, and at this point not only is it my profession, but it's also my hobby. So I'd like to continue doing it for many years to come. In 20 years I hope to be a better-known photographer who has the chance to work on unique and special projects.

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This month brings us the first in-person event for AIA Las Vegas since 2020 and we couldn't be more excited to see our members and sponsors at the 47th Annual AIA Las Vegas Golf Tournament sponsored by CORE Construction. I look forward to speaking with many of you at the event on May 10th at TPC Summerlin and hope to get some feedback on what you are looking for from your AIA Chapter.

As we hope for more in-person events and get together in the near future, please watch for announcements within our AIA Las Vegas This Week emails as well as on www.aialasvegas.org. If you haven't followed AIA Las Vegas on social media, please take a moment to follow us and see what new things we have been posting about.

This past month, our member meeting was hosted by the COTE Committee and titled: "Public Interest Architecture: Designing a Sustainable and Equitable Future". Melissa Schoch, Project Architect and Bill Singer, Director of Architecture from Environmental Works were the featured speakers and discussed their practice and how they approach housing for underrepresented communities. At the beginning of the presentation Melissa read a quote from the Keynote address of the 1968 AIA National Convention by Whitney M. Young which was a call to action and the start of a movement of non-profit architecture. *"We are not at a loss in our society for the know-how. We have the technology. We have the scientific know-how. We have the resources. We are at a loss for the will...You are not a profession that has distinguished itself by your social and civil contributions to the cause of civil rights, and I am sure this does not come to you as any shock. You are most distinguished by your thunderous silence and your complete irrelevance."* Though the quote may have been from another time and over 50 years ago, to me it is still relevant and impactful in its directness to our profession of architecture. I encourage everyone who was not able to join our April meeting to watch it on our YouTube channel here: <https://bit.ly/3nziOGP>



JAMES HORVATH, AIA

Getting involved with AIA is never more important than when we talk about our future generations of Architects. This month our Education Outreach Committee will be hosting our May member meeting which will be the "High School Design Awards" virtual celebration. Though we had to plan this as a virtual event, we are still excited about the entries from high school students which will be presented prior to the awards ceremony starting at 5:30pm on May 19th. Register in advance on Zoom for this webinar: [CLICK HERE](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email from ZOOM containing information about joining the webinar. Let's show these students our support for their efforts which were to complete the project while at home in school this year as these are the future architects who will be joining our profession and community.

As I wrap up my comments, I wanted to tie my ending quote to AIA Northern Nevada's Architecture Week presentation entitled, "Unintentional bias in design: how it impacts the built environment and some of the products we use, ending with an example of how universal design can work." Their speaker was Joan Blumenfeld, AIAF, FIIDA, LEED ID+C who gave an inspiring presentation that touched on many aspects of women in architecture and how one size does not fit all. As I learned that evening, behind the famous Charles Eames was his wife and design partner Ray Eames who often was not included at the time for credit of designs which she participated. And so, I close this month giving her voice a chance to inspire others, *"choose your corner, pick away at it carefully, intensely and to the best of your ability and that way you might change the world."* – Ray Eames

Sincerely,

James Horvath, AIA

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Hosted by the AIA Las Vegas Education Outreach Committee

MEET THE FUTURE

Where do you think the future leaders of the profession and your future staff are today? Right now, they are in the high schools and technical academies right here in Las Vegas. Through the AIA Las Vegas High School Design Awards program they are taking the initial steps in developing their skills to become talent young designers, project managers, and architects. You can meet them, review their work and their talents, and begin to establish relationships that will benefit you both in the future. Meet the Future at the AIA LV May Member Meeting –5:00PM on May 19th when the Education Outreach Committee presents the 47th Annual High School Design Awards.

This important High School Outreach Program is in it's 47th Year and has a long history of discovering and recognizing some of the finest architectural talents in Las Vegas. With over \$3,500.00 in cash prizes for the young designers, you'll have an opportunity to review each submittal since they will be featured online from 1:00PM to 5:00PM on Wednesday, May 19th (prior to the meeting). Use the following link to access the student submittals.

Then join us when we MEET THE FUTURE and hear from some of the our most prestigious past High School Design Award Recipients including Wade Simpson, AIA – (Winner in 1980)..... Brandon Sprague, AIA (Winner in 1984)..... Mike DelGatto, AIA (Winner in 1992.... Brian Henley, AIA (Winner in 2001 and 2002) and Logan Ziegler (Winner in 2010).

Plus learn more about the work the AIA Las Vegas Education Outreach Committee is doing and the new AIA Nevada Diversity Scholarship for Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) Scholarship for promising young high school students across the state of Nevada.

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2021 Project Description:

Design a Community/Recreation Center as a part of a larger sports and recreation complex in Summerlin. Las Vegas is quickly becoming a sports town. With the eruption in popularity of the Vegas Golden Knights and the reinvention of Vegas' own Minor League Baseball team, the Aviators, other sports franchises—like the Las Vegas Raiders—are following suit. Large facilities have been constructed across the valley to accommodate. When not in use, these facilities tend to open their doors for other community functions. This year's design program once again focuses on the development of an area east of City National Arena and the Las Vegas Ballpark that pulls from the uses offered by these facilities and augments the area with functions not currently provided. In addition, the American Institute of Architects' Strategic Plan is highly focused on Climate Change and Climate Action. Students will be required to design within the AIA's "Framework for Design Excellence."

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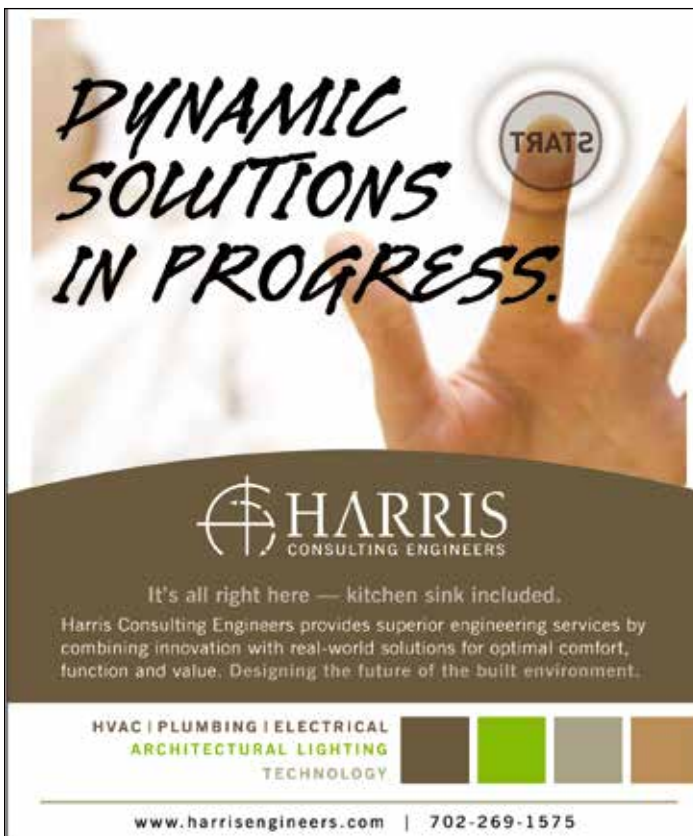
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COFFEE with an ARCHITECT

Wednesday, May 19, 2021 – 9:30am PST

Grab a cup of coffee and enjoy a fun and informative virtual coffee break with Cecilia Schafler, PLA, Founder and President of Lage Design.



Hosted by
Lee Hopkinson, AIA Allied
Member Director



Cecilia Schafler, PLA
Founder & President of
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REGISTER here right now..... and be one of the first AIA Allied Members to join the conversation with Cecilia!

There is no cost to attend but, you must register online in order to receive the instructions to join the meeting.

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The AIA Las Vegas April Membership Meeting

"Public Interest Architecture: Designing A Sustainable & Equitable Future"

was recorded and is available online.

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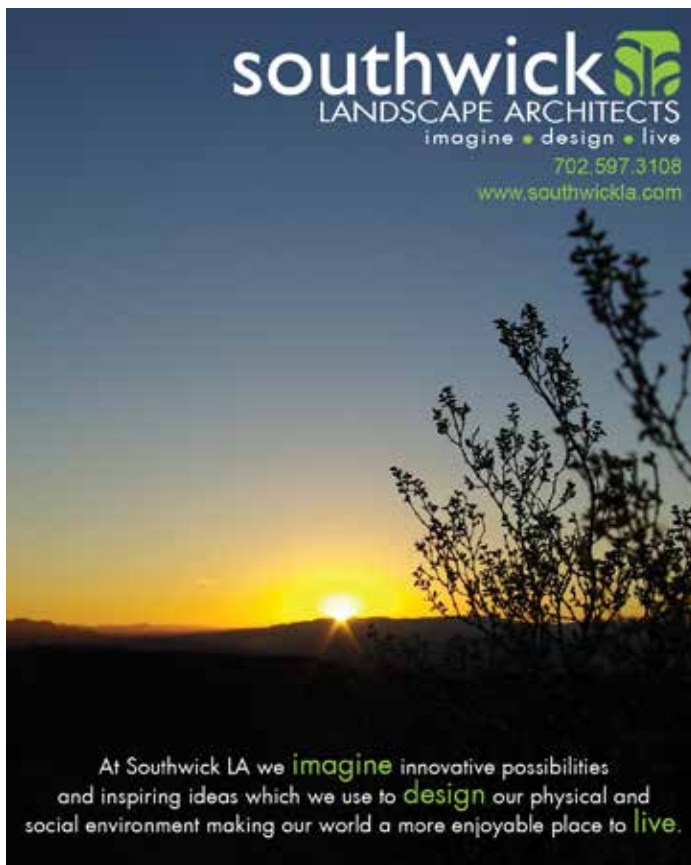
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The Bald By Design Team has announced that they will not be doing a team event in June as previously announced.

However, They will be shaving on **September 18th** at the (live & in person) St. Baldrick's Event at

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So Far... Our Team is Team Captain Phil Ralston, Jennifer Turchin, AIA, Chris Lujan, AIA, Javid Butler and Roy Nakamura.

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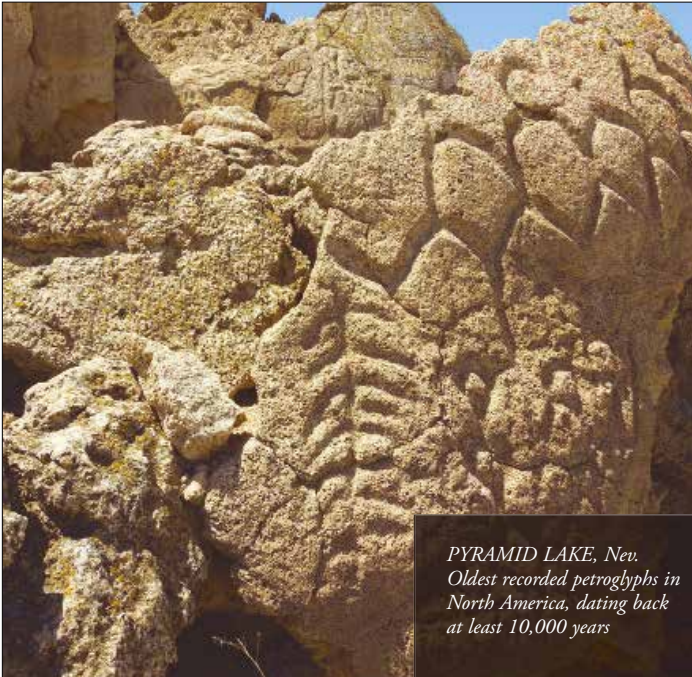
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May 27th
June 10th
July 8th and 22nd
August 12th and 26th
October 14th
December 9th

**These dates are subject to change to accommodate schedule changes
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When: Thursday, May 13th - 11:30 am to 1:30 pm PST

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Her award-winning work, "Early Development Design: The Environment and Social Development" was completed in the HD Studio at the UNLV School of Architecture. This thesis engages interdisciplinary research and collaboration between Early Education, Sociology and Architecture to explore the idea that designing for birth through age three in public spaces can improve their social-emotional development and lead to improved social-emotional health for all ages and abilities.

The Jury Commented "A well executed research project or thesis takes time, dedication, and clarity and this project easily checks all three of those. From a clear and concise thesis statement to the thoroughness of data collection and supporting documentation, this project is nothing short of exemplary! The Jury believes that this project is one that will have an incredible impact on Ms. Cook's future career and is excited to see where it takes her."

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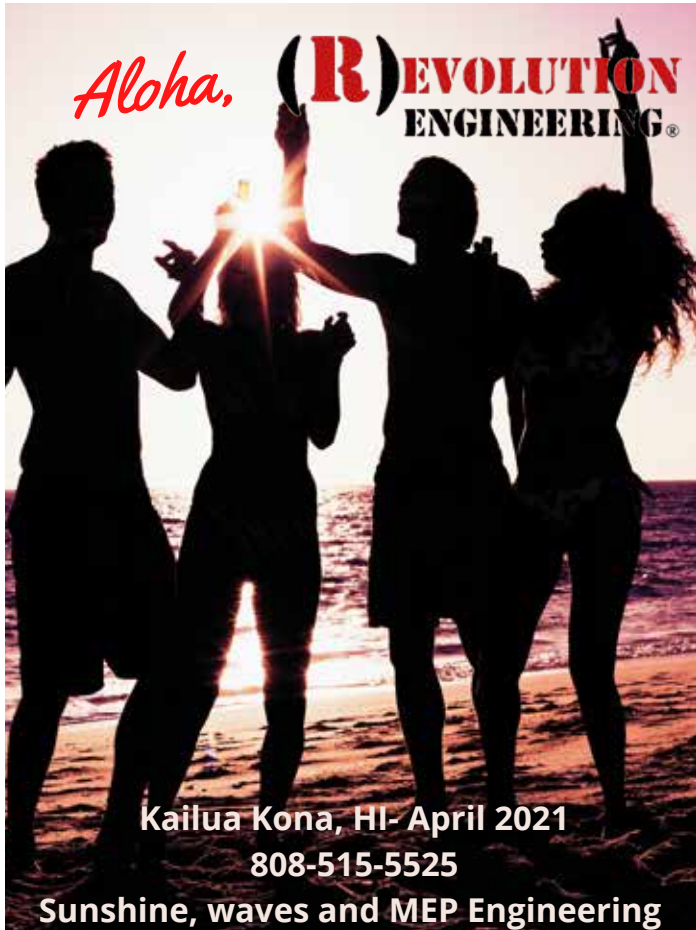


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and manages multi-million dollar projects for the firm such as International Market Centers' new, Expo Center the latest edition to the World Market Center.

Burns is dedicated to mentoring the next generation of leaders within the firm and throughout the industry. He supports the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Young Architects Forum and the National Council of Architectural Registration Board's (NCARB) Intern Development Program. Burns received his Master of Architecture in 2003 and his Bachelor of Science in 2000 from the University of Nevada Las Vegas.



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Durango 215 Point - Honor Award for Office Building

Durango 215 Point is a two story tilt-up office building designed for a single-tenant or multiple-tenant fit-out. The building is sited to provide freeway frontage and visibility with the main entrance facing the adjacent freeway. The plan is a simple rectangle to maximize the site coverage, building efficiency and construction cost. A consistent and standard structural grid is maintained throughout the plan with a central core for restrooms, circulation, service and elevator. The exterior is designed with subtly layered two story concrete panels with a three-color palette to reduce the massing of the rectangular plan of the building. A separate concrete panel portal recessed in a two story glass curtain wall emphasizes the main entry at the south elevation. The north elevation is designed to allow additional glazing in pre-designated knock-out panels, depending on the tenants' needs. The north side also features dock access and grade level access doors. The wall panels are standardized to interface with the structural grid and simplify the glazing storefront glazing system.



KAKTUSlife - Honor Award for Multi-Family Project

KAKTUSlife is a mixed-use community featuring multi-family and retail/office space.

The four story, elevator served, wrap designed multi-family building is comprised of 210 one and two-bedroom units. Ceiling heights range from 10 - 14 feet in the living areas and 20+ feet in the common areas. Each home features JennAir Appliances, black leathered granite countertops, custom tile backsplash in the kitchen, bathtub/shower surrounds and 9 feet collapsible window walls. There is also a full suite of smart home technology (outlets, switches, overhead/undercabinet lighting, thermostat and door lock) which are motion, time and voice automated. The KAKTUSwellness Studio features Technogym equipment, which allows you to track all your fitness activity with your smart device in the custom app. The courtyard features a resort-style pool, rain waterfalls, gas BBQ grilles and more. Other amenities include: dry-cleaning service, package delivery system, game rooms, wine and rooftop lounges and community kitchen. The 299,000+/- SF building was certified LEED Silver in 2019.

The retail/office buildings are approx. 21,000 SF (4 free standing buildings) directly across a shared parking lot. The north endcap of the northern most building has 2,589 SF dedicated to restaurant use, with over 800 square feet of outdoor patio space.



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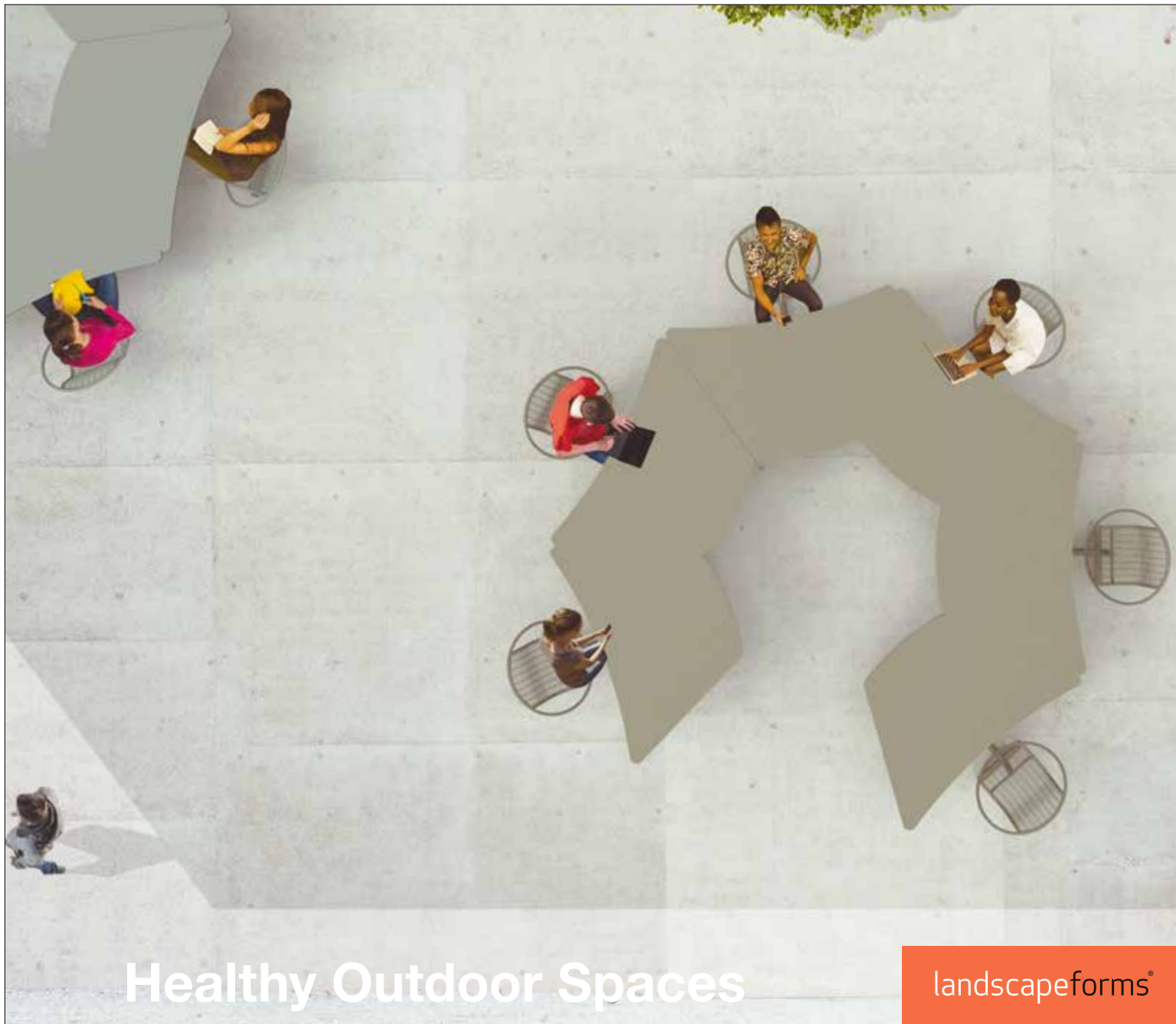


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Our committee is planning to build awareness of such proposed legislation ahead of the next session in an effort to strengthen our collective voice. No matter where our fellow members might be located in Nevada, it is our duty to advocate on behalf of our interests. In the coming months our group will establish a series of priorities that align with AIALV's vision and will strengthen the shared-interests of other committees such as the COTE, JEDI, and others. Please join us as we look to grow our network and make an impact on future decisions facing our members.



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Save The Date,

Tuesday, May 4th from 5:30 to 6:30pm, for the Women In Architecture "May the 4th Be With You" Happy Hour. Join us for a chat and some drinks on zoom! We are just going to hang out and talk about whatever... maybe recap some of our past meetings.



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AIA LAS VEGAS EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE

John O. Torpey, AIA
Chair

Our committee recently had a successful Google Meets presentation to Bridger Morris Sunset East High School students with the help of Monique Zephurine, Magnet School Coordinator. Because of the unique student make up, we provided two professionals that could speak to the professional architectural

career path and to the vocational training routes for many of the construction trades. Hung Tran, AIA, (Gensler) presented information and career path descriptions to the architectural profession and Cassy Smith (superintendent with Penta Building Group) addressed training and roles in construction positions. This was a very successful educational outreach effort. There were over 60 students in attendance and the feedback was very positive. The committee appreciates the time and commitment of the presenters, Hung Tran and Cassy Smith.

We are looking ahead to this years High School Design Awards scheduled for May 19th, 2021.



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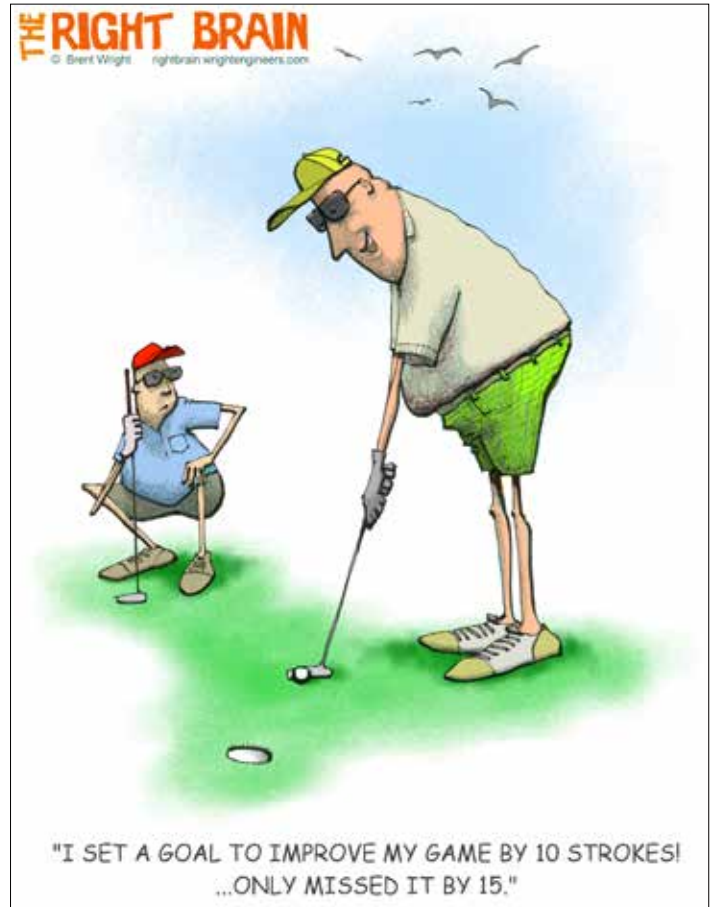
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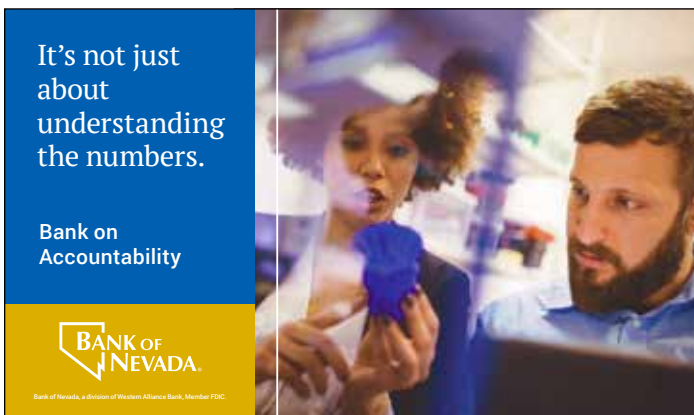


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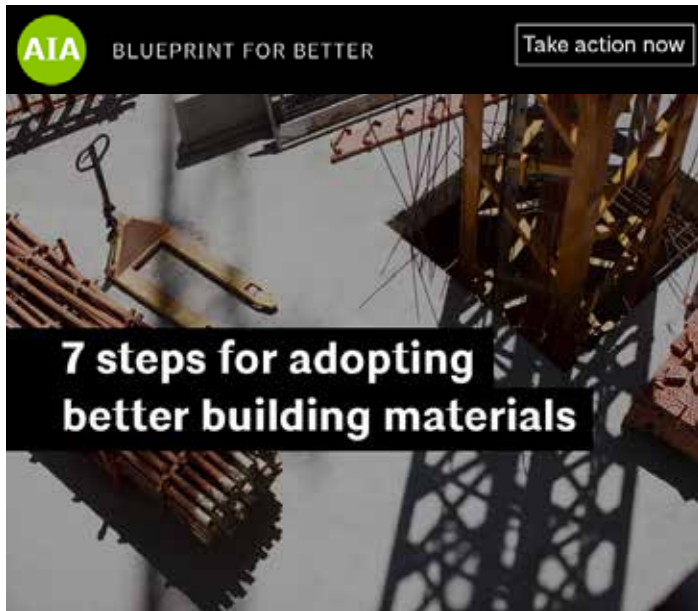
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Roush-Elliott began her career as a social impact architect in Biloxi, Mississippi, where she and her future husband, Richard Elliott, built and designed hurricane-resistant housing. While pursuing an M.Arch degree at the University of Cincinnati, she joined the Village Life Outreach Project, a Cincinnati-based nonprofit that works in three remote villages in Tanzania to assist in the design and implementation of projects that help reduce poverty. Today, Roush-Elliott is a member of AIA's Government Advocacy Committee and a leader of the AIA Housing and Community Development Knowledge Community. Roush-Elliott also served as an architectural intern at BHDP Architecture in Cincinnati... **Article continued at www.aia.org**
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Launch AIA NV Design & Service Awards

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